Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 23 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Saturday 24 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Friday 23 Oct 2020 at 03:33 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions over next five days with spells of windy, showery weather.

Headline for Friday 23 Oct 2020: Some rain during morning. Drier, brighter afternoon with scattered showers, mainly in west.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 23 Oct 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
50%	80%	20%	40%	30%	20%

Forecast for Friday 23 Oct 2020

Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain, clearing eastwards on Friday morning, sleet on highest peaks. Drier, brighter weather will follow from west later in morning, then sunshine and scattered showers in the afternoon. The showers mainly in west towards Creag Meagaidh and around Ben Alder.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% at first, mostly towards North Cairngorms, improving 70% from late morning. Extensive cloud cover well down the hills, lifting and breaking up by the afternoon.

Visibility: Misty conditions at first but poor in persistent precipitation. Pockets of good visibility in northeast of area, becoming mostly good elsewhere from late morning.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	41/53 S	26/35 SW	25/36 SW	25/35 SW	24/34 SW	22/30 S	29/41 S
900	44/52 S	23/30 SW	23/31 SW	22/29 SW	22/29 SW	21/29 S	28/38 S
600	26/34 S	16/23 SW	17/24 SW	15/23 SW	14/23 SW	15/23 SW	17/27 S
300	6/18 S	10/21 SW	9/20 SW	10/21 SW	7/19 SW	8/19 SW	10/24 S
Glen	3/20 SW	4/16 SW	5/16 SW	5/19 SW	5/19 SW	4/17 SW	3/19 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-11	-1/-8	-1/-9	-1/-9	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-11
900	2/-6	2/-4	2/-4	2/-4	1/-6	1/-5	1/-7
600	4/-2	4/-1	5/0	4/-0	3/-2	3/-1	3/-2
300	6/4	6/3	7/4	7/4	5/2	4/1	5/2
Glen	5/4	6/4	8/7	8/6	5/3	4/2	5/3
Freezing Level*	1100m	1200m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling bitterly cold over higher ridges/summits due to combination of strong winds and temperatures close to freezing.

Forecast for Saturday 24 Oct 2020
Weather: Cloudy morning with outbreaks of rain and extensive hill fog. Brighter afternoon with sunny intervals and blustery showers, turning wintry on highest peaks. Feeling bitterly cold on higher ridges and summits.

Maximum wind: Severe gale force southerly winds, even storm force on the tops during morning, average speeds of 50mph with gusts 70 to 80mph. Winds becoming southwesterly in afternoon and easing a little.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Very little chance in the morning with clouds well down the hills. Chances improving to 60% in afternoon with occasional cloud cover about 700m.

Visibility: Poor visibility, even very poor in heavier rain with navigational difficulties. Visibility will become good in afternoon away from showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to 12 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1300M lowering to 1100m.

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